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1. FRG REPS IN BOTH BONN GROUP AND BILATERAL MEETINGS CONTINUE TO EMPHASIZE PROBLEMS WITH US PROPOSAL THAT THE FOUR FREQUENCIES NOT IN "NON-NEGOTIABLE" CATEGORY (AFN 936, RIAS 684, SFB 1449, AND RIAS 855) BE LISTED IN NEGOTIATING BRIEF BY ORDER OF RELATIVE PRIORITY. BILATERALLY, THE GERMANS TELL US IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR DOMESTIC POLITICAL REASONS (READ CLOUT OF ARD AND FACT THAT THE LAENDER HAVE PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES IN FRG FOR BROADCASTING) FOR BONN TO AGREE TO THE PROPOSAL.

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2. COMMENT: WE SUGGEST WE LET THIS MATTER REST. WE HAVE MADE IT CLEAR HERE THAT APPROPRIATE PRIOR CONSULTATIONS IN GENEVA ARE REQUIRED PRIOR TO ANY BARGAINING AWAY BY THE FRG CONFERENCE DEL OF ANY OF THE THREE US FREQUENCIES IN QUESTION. AS NOTED REFTEL, WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT US TEAM GENEVA, WITHIN CONTEXT OF CONTINUING CONTACTS WITH FRG DEL, ALSO MAKE THIS POINT. OUR JUDGEMENT IS THAT PRESSURING FRG FORMALLY TO AGREE TO US PROPOSAL FOR LISTINGS IN NEGOTIATING BRIEF WOULD NOT BE SUCCESSFUL, AND IS PROBABLY SUPERFLUOUS IN VIEW OF CLOSE, ONGOING US-FRG COORDINATION IN GENEVA.

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